UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI EASTERN DIVISION

ALBERT COREY HUNTER,)	
Petitioner,)	
v.)) No. 4:17-CV-2379 SNLJ)
TROY STEELE,)	
Respondent.)	

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

This matter is before the Court upon review of petitioner's response to the order to show cause. Having carefully reviewed petitioner's response, the Court concludes that his arguments are without merit and that the instant action is time-barred under 28 U.S.C. § 2244.

Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that petitioner's application for writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254 is **DENIED**. *See* Rule 4 of the Rules Governing § 2254 Proceedings.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Court will not issue a Certificate of Appealability. See 28 U.S.C. § 2253.

¹On September 20, 2017, the Court ordered petitioner to show cause as to why the Court should not dismiss the instant application for writ of habeas corpus for failure to exhaust available state remedies.

An Order of Dismissal will accompany this Memorandum and Order.

STEPHEN N. LIMBAUCH, JR.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Dated this 3^{rd} day of November, 2017.